

Building Partnerships

2006 Census Test

Travis County: Your help is essential

In preparation for the 2010 Census, the U.S. Census Bureau selected Travis County as one of only two sites for the 2006 Census Test. With its reputation as a technology center, its rapidly growing and diverse population, and its variety of housing, Travis County is an ideal testing ground for the Census Bureau.

Partners helped the Census Bureau conduct a successful Census 2000, and we will again need our partners' help in Travis County to successfully complete the 2006 Census Test.

Local governments, community organizations, businesses, and the media in Travis County can help spread the word about the 2006 Census Test and encourage everyone to participate.



What you can do

Local governments, community organizations, and neighborhood groups can:

- Recruit census workers.
- Display and distribute census materials.
- Provide space for testing and training census employees.
- Sponsor community events to promote the 2006 Census Test.
- Include information about the 2006 Census Test in newsletters and mailings.
- Display a map of the area included in the test.

The Media can:

- Publish stories about the 2006 Census Test.
- Donate space for public service announcements.
- Provide coverage of census activities and operations.
- Enlist local media personalities to take part in the census promotional activities.

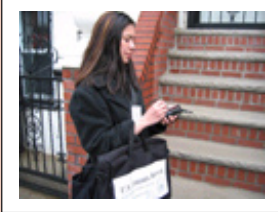
Businesses can:

- Display and distribute census materials.
- Sponsor community events to promote the 2006 Census Test.

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Help Recruit Temporary Workers

The Census Bureau needs qualified applicants to fill a variety of positions to conduct the 2006 Census Test. The largest number of jobs are as census takers. Recruiting, testing, and hiring will begin by late March 2005. Census jobs pay competitive wages in your area. For more information, please call our toll-free number, 888-814-6711.

Timeline of Census Test Activities

3/05	Open Local Census Office in Austin
3/28/05 - 6/30/06	Recruit, test, and hire temporary workers
7/26/05 - 9/02/05	Verify addresses
3/15/06 - 4/10/06	Deliver census questionnaires
3/20/06 - 3/31/06	Enumerate residents in locations such as soup kitchens and shelters
4/03/06 - 5/19/06	Enumerate residents in shared housing such as dorms and nursing homes
4/22/06 - 7/01/06	Visit households that did not respond

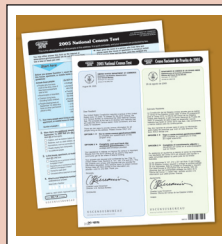
For More Information

Visit our Web site:

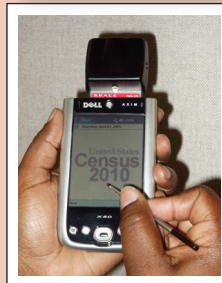
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To find out more about census activities and promotions in your community, contact the Local Census Office: 888-814-6711

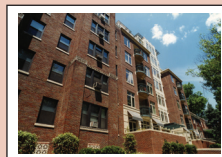
New Technology and Procedures Being Tested:



New methods to meet the language needs of the diverse U.S. population.



The use of handheld computers for data collection.



Methods to improve accuracy in counting people who live in shared housing.

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